

**Organizational History of the  
German Armored Formation  
1939-1945**

**1st Panzer Division:** Organized 10/15/35, it had:

- 1st Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/1st Schützen Regiment
  - 1st Motorcycle Battalion
- 1st Panzer Brigade
  - 1/,2/1st Panzer Regiment
  - 1/,2/2nd Panzer Regiment
- 4th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/73rd Artillery Regiment
- 37th Divisional Support Units
- 81st Supply Troops

On 10/30/39 the 3/69th Infantry Regiment was motorized and assigned as the 3/1st Schützen Regiment. On 10/20/40 the 2nd Panzer Regiment was detached to the newly forming 16th Panzer Division. On 11/6/40 a second schützen regiment, the 113th Schützen Regiment, was formed from the 3/1st Schützen Regiment. On 2/15/41 a detachment from the 1st Schützen Regiment was used to form the 2/113th Schützen Regiment. The 73rd Artillery regiment formed a 3rd Battalion from the 2/56th Artillery Regiment. The division had:

- 1/,2/1st Schützen Regiment
- 1/,2/113rd Schützen Regiment
- 1/,2/1st Panzer Regiment
- 1st Kradschützen (motorcycle) Battalion
- 4th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/73rd Artillery Regiment
- 37th Panzer Divisional (Einheiten) Support Units
- 81st Supply Troops

On 7/11/42 the 1st and 113rd Schützen Regiments were redesignated as Panzer Grenadier Regiments. The 1/1st Panzer Regiment was detached to the 16th Panzer Grenadier Division as the 116th Panzer Battalion, leaving the 1st Panzer Division with only the 2nd Battalion until 1/15/43, when it became the 1st Battalion and a new 2nd Battalion was formed from the 1/203rd Panzer Regiment. The Army 299th Flak Battalion was transferred to the division.

On 3/1/43 the 1st Kradschützen (motorcycle) Battalion was converted into the 91st Panzer Aufklärung (Reconnaissance) Regiment with two battalions and an independent 7th Company. This eventually became the 1st Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. The division had:

- 1/,2/1st Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/113rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1st Panzer Aufklärung Abteilung (Armored Reconnaissance Battalion)
- 1/,2/1st Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/,4/73rd Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 299th Flak Battalion
- 37th Panzer Divisional (Einheiten) Support Units
- 81st Supply Troops

Sometime in late 1943 the 1/1st Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/1st Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks. On 9/28/44 the 1009th Grenadier Ausbildung (Training) Battalion of the Tatra Panzer Division was merged into the division. It surrendered to the allies on 5/9/45 in Styria.

**2nd Panzer Division:** Formed on 15 October 1935 in Würzburg, in the spring of 1938 it went to Vienna. Mobilized on 8/19/39 with:

- 2nd Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/2nd Schützen Regiment
  - 2nd Motorcycle Battalion
- 2nd Panzer Brigade
  - 1/,2/3rd Panzer Regiment
  - 1/,2/4th Panzer Regiment
- 1/74th Artillery Regiment
- 1/110th Artillery Regiment
- 5th (Motorized) Reconnaissance Battalion
- 38th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 38th Signals Battalion
- 38th Pioneer Battalion
- 38th Divisional (Einheiten) Support Units
- 82nd Supply Troops

On 11/1/39 the 1/33rd (Motorized) Infantry Regiment of the 13th Infantry Division was transferred to the division as the 3/2nd Schützen Regiment.

On 9/28/40 the 4th Panzer Regiment was transferred to the 13th Panzer Division. The 304th Schützen Regiment was raised. Its staff came from the 304th Infantry Regiment (209th Infantry Division), the 1st Battalion was formed from the 1/2nd Schützen Regiment, the 2nd Battalion was formed from the 1/243rd Infantry Regiment (60th Infantry Division), and the 3/2nd Schützen Regiment became the 1/2nd. The 74th Artillery Regiment organized its 2nd Battalion from the 1/13th Artillery Regiment and its 3rd Battalion from the 1/110th Artillery Regiment, already assigned to the division. The division had:

- 1/,2/2nd Schützen Regiment
- 1/,2/304th Schützen Regiment
- 2nd Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/3rd Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/74th Artillery Regiment
- 5th (Motorized) Reconnaissance Battalion
- 38th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 38th Signals Battalion
- 38th Pioneer Battalion
- 38th Divisional (Einheiten) Support Units
- 82nd Supply Troops

In 1942 the 1/3rd Panzer Regiment was detached to the 33rd Panzer Regiment. The regiment retained only the 2nd Battalion. The 5th Reconnaissance Battalion was reorganized as the 24th Motorcycle Battalion and assigned to the 24th Panzer Division.

In 1942 the division absorbed the 273rd Army Flak Artillery

Battalion. On 3/25/43 the 1/3rd Panzer Regiment was rebuilt. On 5/7/43 it became the 507th Panzer Battalion (Tiger tanks) and on 6/30/43 it again became the 1/3rd Panzer Regiment (Panther tanks). The 2nd Motorcycle Battalion became the 2nd Armored Reconnaissance Battalion. The division had:

- 1/,2/2nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/304th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 2nd Armored Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/3rd Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/74th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 273rd Army Flak Artillery Battalion
- 38th Armored Panzerjäger Battalion
- 38th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 38th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 38th Divisional Support Units
- 82nd Supply Troops

On 2/25/44 the 1/3rd Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/1st Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks.

The division was destroyed in Normandy in August 1944 and only a small cadre remained. The division was rebuilt in November 1944, in time to fight in the Ardennes Offensive. It surrendered to the allies on 5/7/45.

**3rd Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/15/35 in Berlin and mobilized on 8/1/39 with:

- 3rd Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/3rd Schützen Regiment
  - 3rd Motorcycle Battalion
- 3rd Panzer Brigade
  - 1/,2/5th Panzer Regiment
  - 1/,2/6th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/75th Artillery Regiment
- 39th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 39th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 39th Signals Battalion
- 39th Pioneer Battalion
- 39th Divisional Support Units
- 83rd Supply Troops

On 11/1/39 the 1/69th (motorized) Infantry Regiment of the 20th (motorized) Infantry Regiment was incorporated into the division as the 3/3rd Schützen Regiment. Later the 394th Schützen Regiment was formed with the staff of the 394th Infantry Regiment, the 3/3rd Schützen Regiment, and the 3/243rd Infantry Regiment (60th Infantry Division). In January 1941, in order to support the newly forming Afrika Korps, the division detached the 5th Panzer Regiment, the 3rd Motorized Reconnaissance Battalion, 39th Panzerjäger Battalion, and 1/75th Artillery Regiment. In March the 1/28th Panzer Regiment (18th Panzer Division) was redesignated as the 3/6th Panzer Division, and the 2/49th Artillery Regiment became the 3/75th Artillery Regiment. The 1st Reconnaissance Battalion and the 543rd Panzerjäger Battalion

were formed from army troops. The staff of the 5th Panzer Brigade was also newly reorganized. The division then had:

- 3rd Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/3rd Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/394th Schützen Regiment
  - 3rd Motorcycle Battalion
- 5th Panzer Brigade
  - 1/,2/,3/6th Panzer Regiment
  - 2/,3/75th Artillery Regiment
  - 543rd Panzerjäger Battalion
  - 1st Reconnaissance Battalion
  - 39th Signals Battalion
  - 39th Pioneer Battalion
  - 83rd Supply Troops
  - 39th Divisional Support Units

In 1942 the 714th Heavy Artillery Battalion and 314th Army Flak Artillery Battalion became the 1/,4/75th Artillery Regiment respectively. In 1943 the 4/75th Artillery Regiment became the 314th Army Flak Battalion. The 3rd Motorcycle Battalion was redesignated as the 3rd Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion and the 3/6th Panzer Regiment was disbanded. The division then had:

- 1/,2/3rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/394th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 3rd Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/6th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/75th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 314th Army Flak Artillery Battalion
- 543rd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 39th Signals Battalion
- 39th Pioneer Battalion
- 39th Divisional Support Units
- 83rd Supply Troops

On 1/25/44 the 1/6th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/6th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks. In December 1944 the division was reorganized. It was captured in Steyr/Enns and passed into American captivity. It surrendered to the allies on 5/9/45.

**4th Panzer Division:** Formed on 11/10/38 in Würzburg. Mobilized 8/22/39 with:

- 4th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/12th Schützen Regiment
- 5th Panzer Brigade
  - 1/,2/35th Panzer Regiment
  - 1/,2/36th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/103rd Artillery Regiment
- 7th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 49th Panzerabwehr (Anti-Tank) Battalion
- 79th Pioneer Battalion
- 79th Signals Battalion

79th Divisional Support Units  
84th Supply Troops

On 10/18/39 it received the 2/,3/33rd (mot) Infantry Regiment from the 13th (mot) Infantry Division. On 4/1/40 it was became the 33rd Schützen Regiment. On 11/11/40 the 36th Panzer Regiment was detached to the 14th Panzer Division. On 1/21/41 3/93rd Artillery Regiment became the 3/103rd Artillery Regiment. The 34th Motorcycle Battalion was formed from the 3/5th (mot) Infantry Regiment (2nd Infantry Division). The 3/33rd Infantry Regiment was redesignated as the 1/33rd Schützen Regiment. The division had:

- 4th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/12th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/33rd Schützen Regiment
  - 34th Motorcycle Battalion
- 3rd Panzer Brigade (formerly 5th)
  - 1/,2/35th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/103rd Artillery Regiment
- 7th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 49th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 79th Pioneer Battalion
- 79th Signals Battalion
- 79th Divisional Support Units
- 84th Supply Troops

In 1942 the 7th Reconnaissance and the 34th Motorcycle Battalion were merged and used to form the 4th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion on 6/7/43. The 2/35th Panzer Regiment became the 3/15th Panzer Regiment in 1942, leaving the division with only one armored battalion. The 290th Army Flak Battalion was assigned to the division in 1942. On 11/14/43 the 2/35th Panzer Regiment was formed. The division had:

- 1/,2/12th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/33rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 4th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/35th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/103rd Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 290th Army Flak Battalion
- 49th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 103rd Feldersatz Battalion
- 79th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 79th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 79th Divisional (Einheiten) Support Units
- 84th Supply Troops

On 4/25/44 the 2/35th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 1/35th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks.

On 8/3/44 the 1071st Grenadier Regiment was absorbed into the division. In January 1945 the division was again reformed and in late 1945 captured by the Russians on 5/8/45.

**5th Panzer Division:** Formed on 11/24/38 in Oppeln. Mobilized on 8/18/39 with:

- 5th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/13th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/14th Schützen Regiment
- 8th Panzer Brigade
  - 1/,2/15th Panzer Regiment
  - 1/,2/31st Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/116th Artillery Regiment
- 8th (mot) Reconnaissance Battalion
- 53rd Panzerabwehr (AT) Battalion
- 77th Panzer Division Signals Battalion
- 89th Pioneer Battalion
- 85th Divisional Support Units

On 9/4/40 the 15th Panzer Regiment was detached to the 11th Panzer Division. The 55th Motorcycle Battalion was formed on 8/10/40 with the 2/14th Schützen Regiment, which was replaced by the 3/243rd Infantry Regiment (60th Infantry Division). The 2/48th Artillery Regiment then became the 3/116th Artillery Regiment. The division then had:

- 5th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/13th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/14th Schützen Regiment
- 55th Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/31st Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/116th Artillery Regiment
- 8th (mot) Reconnaissance Battalion
- 53rd Panzerabwehr (AT) Battalion
- 77th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 89th Pioneer Battalion
- 85th Signals Battalion
- 85th Divisional Support Units

In September 1941 a single company and the 8th Reconnaissance Battalion (as the 23rd Motorcycle Battalion) was detached to the 23rd Panzer Division in France. In 1942 the 228th Army Flak Artillery Battalion was formed in the division. The division then had:

- 1/,2/13th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/14th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 5th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/31st Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/116th Artillery Regiment
- 8th (mot) Reconnaissance Battalion
- 53rd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 77th Signals Battalion
- 89th Pioneer Battalion
- 85th Divisional Support Units

Sometime in late 1943 the 1/31st Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/31st Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks. In 1944 the 31st Panzer Regiment

apparently had an Italian battalion attached to it. On 11/8/44 the 103rd Panzer Brigade and the 2103rd Panzer Grenadier Battalion were absorbed into the division. On 4/25/45 the division was taken prisoner by the Russians on 4/17/45.

**6th Panzer Division:** Formed from the 1st Light Division on 10/18/39 with:

- 6th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/,3/4th Schützen Regiment
  - 6th Motorcycle Battalion (former 4/4th Schützen Regiment)
- 1/,2/,11th Panzer Regiment
- 65th Panzer Battalion
- 1/,2/76th Artillery Regiment
- 41st Panzerabwehr (AT) Battalion
- 57th Pioneer Battalion
- 82nd Signals Battalion
- 57th Divisional Support Units

On 8/1/40 it was used to help the 16th Infantry Division to form the 16th Panzer Division. The 3/4th Schützen Regiment was disbanded and the 1/76th Artillery Regiment was transferred. The 4th Schützen Regiment (1st Battalion newly formed from the 3/64th (16th Infantry Division) and 114th Schützen Regiment. The 4th was newly formed from the Staff/243rd Infantry Regiment, with the 2/79th Infantry Regiment (16th Infantry Division), as the 2nd Battalion and 1/4th Schützen Regiment became 1st Battalion. The 1/76th Artillery Regiment was formed from the 3/16th Artillery Regiment and 3/76th was formed from the 605th Artillery Battalion. The division then had:

- 6th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/4th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/114th Schützen Regiment
- 6th Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/11th Panzer Regiment
- 65th Panzer Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/76th Artillery Regiment
- 41st Panzerjäger Battalion
- 57th Pioneer Battalion
- 82nd Signals Battalion
- 57th Divisional Support Units

On 6/3/42 the 65th Panzer Battalion was disbanded and its forces merged into the 11th Panzer Regiment, as was the 6th Motorcycle Battalion merged into the 57th Reconnaissance Battalion. The 298th (Army) Flak Battalion was assigned to the division. In February 1943 the remains of the 22nd Panzer Division were merged into the division. The division then had:

- 1/,2/4th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/114th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/11th Panzer Regiment
- 6th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/76th Artillery Regiment
- 298th Flak Battalion

41st Panzerjäger Battalion  
57th Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
82nd Panzer Signals Battalion  
57th Divisional Support Units

On 1/15/44 the 1/11th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/11th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks.

In June 1944 the division was rebuilt and on 5/8/45 it was captured by the Russians.

**7th Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/18/39 by the conversion of the 2nd Light Division and the assignment of the 25th Panzer Regiment from army troops. The 6th & 7th Kavallerieschützen (Cavalry Rifle) Regiments became Schützen Regiments on 3/20/40. The 7th Reconnaissance Regiment was broken into the 7th Motorcycle Battalion and the 37th Reconnaissance Battalion on 11/1/39. The 25th Panzer Regiment (only Staff and 1st Battalion) were joined by the 1/23rd Panzer Regiment which became the 2/25th Panzer Regiment on 4/1/40. The division had:

7th Schützen Brigade (newly formed)  
1/,2/6th Schützen Regiment  
1/,2/7th Schützen Regiment  
7th Motorcycle Battalion  
1/,2/25th Panzer Regiment  
66th Panzer Battalion  
1/,2/78th Artillery Regiment  
42nd Panzerjäger Battalion  
83rd Signals Battalion  
58th Pioneer Battalion  
58th Divisional Support Units

On 1/2/41 the 78th Artillery Regiment formed a third battalion from the 2/45th Artillery Regiment. The 66th Panzer Battalion became the 3/25th Panzer Regiment on 2/19/41. On 3/15/42 the 3/25th Panzer Regiment was disbanded, reducing the division to only 2 panzer battalions. The 37th Reconnaissance Battalion was merged with the 7th Motorcycle Battalion in 1943, to form the 7th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. The 296th Army Flak Battalion was assigned to the division in February 1943 as were the remains of the now destroyed 27th Panzer Division. In 1943 the division had:

1/,2/6th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/7th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
7th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion  
1/,2/25th Panzer Regiment  
1/,2/,3/78th Panzer Artillery Regiment  
296th Army Flak Battalion  
42nd Panzerjäger Battalion  
83rd Panzer Signals Battalion  
58th Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
58th Divisional Support Units

On 5/5/44 the 1/25th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/25th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with



Panzer MK IV tanks. The division was taken into English captivity on 5/3/45.

**8th Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/16/39 from the 3rd Light Division. The 1/10th Panzer Regiment was assigned to the division and on 10/20/39 it became a regiment. The 8th and 9th Cavalry Schützen Regiments were, on 4/1/40, combined into the 8th Schützen Regiment. The 8th Reconnaissance Regiment was reformed into the 90th and 59th Reconnaissance Battalions on the same day. The division consisted of:

- 8th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/,3/8th Schützen Regiment
  - 8th Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/10th Panzer Regiment
- 67th Panzer Battalion
- 1/,2/80th Artillery Regiment
- 90th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 43rd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 59th Pioneer Battalion
- 84th Signals Battalion
- 59th Divisional Support Units

On 1/1/41 the 67th Panzer Battalion became the 3/10th Panzer Regiment and the 28th Schützen Regiment was formed. The 80th Artillery Regiment formed a third battalion from the 645th Heavy Artillery Battalion. The division now consisted of:

- 8th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/8th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/28th Schützen Regiment
  - 8th Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/10th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/80th Artillery Regiment
- 43rd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 59th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 84th Signals Battalion
- 59th Pioneer Battalion
- 59th Divisional Support Units

The 2/10th Panzer Regiment was detached on 5/8/42 and became the 3/2nd Panzer Regiment. The Staff/,3/10th Panzer Regiment were transferred out of the division on 9/16/42. They were to become the Staff/10th Panzer Brigade and 302nd Panzer Battalion. At the same time the 286th Army Flak Battalion was assigned to the division. The division then consisted of:

- 1/,2/8th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/28th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 8th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/10th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/80th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 286th Army Flak Battalion
- 43rd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 84th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 59th Panzer Pioneer Battalion

## 59th Divisional Support Units

On 12/1/44 the motorized grenadier regiments of the panzer grenadier divisions were redesignated as panzer grenadier regiments. This required a renumbering of the 8th Panzer Grenadier Regiment assigned to this division and it was redesignated as the 98th Panzer Grenadier Regiment. In addition, the Staff/,2/10th Panzer Regiment were reorganized. On 5/8/45 the division passed into Russian captivity.

**9th Panzer Division:** Formed on 3/1/40 from the 4th Light Division. The 33rd Panzer Regiment was formed on 2/2/40 from the Staff/Conze Panzer Regiment (Panzer Lehr Regiment) and the 3/5th Panzer Regiment. The 33rd Panzer Battalion became the 2/33rd Panzer Regiment. The 10th and 11th Cavalry Schützen Regiments became Schützen Regiments. The 9th Reconnaissance Regiment was disbanded on 8/1/40 and formed into the 59th Motorcycle Battalion and the 9th Reconnaissance Battalion. The division had:

- 9th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/10th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/11th Schützen Regiment
- 59th Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/33rd Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/102nd Artillery Regiment
- 9th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 50th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 85th Signals Battalion
- 86th Pioneer Battalion
- 60th Divisional Support Units

During the Fall of 1940, the 3/102nd Artillery Regiment was formed from the 2/50th Artillery Regiment. In 1942 the 3/33rd Panzer Regiment was formed from the 2/3rd Panzer Regiment. During 1942 the artillery regiment formed its 4th Battalion from the 287th Army Flak Battalion.

The reconnaissance and motorcycle battalions were merged and became the 9th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion on 4/13/43. The 2/33rd Panzer Regiment became the 51st Panzer Battalion (Army Troops) and later the 506th Panzer Battalion. The division had:

- 1/,2/10th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/11th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 9th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/33rd Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/102nd Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 287th Army Flak Battalion
- 50th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 85th Signals Battalion
- 86th Pioneer Battalion
- 60th Divisional Support Units

On 1/3/44 the 51st Panzer (Panther) Battalion again became the 2/33rd Panzer Regiment. The 1/33rd Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks. The order of 3/18/44 sent the division to Carcassone in southern France where it was rebuilt from

the 155th Reserve Panzer Division. The panzer grenadier regiments were reformed as follows:

- 10th Panzer Grenadier from the 5th Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiment (86th and 35th Battalions)
- 11th Panzer Grenadier from the 25th Reserve Panzer Grenadier Motorized Regiment (119th & 215th Battalion)

On 27 September the 105th Panzer Brigade (2105th Panzer Grenadier Battalion and 2105th Panzer Battalion) was absorbed into the division. The division was captured in the Ruhr pocket by the Americans on 4/17/45.

**10th Panzer Division:** Formed on 4/1/39 in Prague as the Staff/10th Panzer Division and units exchanged from other panzer and motorized formations. At the beginning of the war it contained:

- 86th Motorized Infantry Regiment (from 29th Infantry Division)
- 8th Panzer Regiment (from Independent 4th Panzer Brigade)
- 1/8th Reconnaissance Regiment (from 3rd Light Division)
- 2/29th Artillery Regiment (from 29th Infantry Division)

The division was reinforced by parts of the Kempf Panzer Detachment, the Staff/4th Panzer Brigade, and the 7th Panzer Regiment on 10/11/39. On 11/1/39 the 2/69th Motorized Infantry Regiment and the 1/20th Artillery Regiment were transferred to the division and the infantry became schützen regiments on 4/1/40. The division then had:

- 10th Schützen Brigade (newly formed)
  - 1/,2/69th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/86th Schützen Regiment
- 4th Panzer Brigade
  - 1/,2/7th Panzer Regiment
  - 1/,2/8th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/90th Artillery Regiment
- 90th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 90th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 49th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 90th Signals Battalion
- 90th Divisional Support Units

On 1/18/41 the 8th Panzer Regiment was detached and assigned to the 15th Panzer Division. The 10th Motorcycle Battalion was formed and assigned to the division and the 3/90th Artillery Regiment was formed from the 1/105th Artillery Regiment. In 1942 the 7th Panzer Regiment raised a 3rd Battalion, but soon transferred it to the 36th Panzer Regiment. The 90th Reconnaissance Battalion (earlier the 1/8th Reconnaissance Regiment) was merged with the 10th Motorcycle Battalion and in 1943 became the 10th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. In 1942 the 302nd Army Flak Battalion became the 4/90th Artillery Regiment. It was redesignated as the 302nd Flak Battalion on 4/20/43, though it was still referred to as the 4/90th. At that time the division had:

- 10th Panzer Grenadier Brigade
  - 1/,2/69th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
  - 1/,2/86th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 10th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/7th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/90th Artillery Regiment
- 302nd Army Flak Battalion
- 90th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 90th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 49th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 90th Signals Battalion
- 90th Divisional Support Units

The division was sent to North Africa and reorganized. Only part of reorganization was completed. The major change was the absorption of the 501st Tiger Tank Battalion as the 3/7th Panzer Regiment. It had a staff and three, ten tank companies. The 1/69th Panzer Grenadier Regiment was to be equipped with half tracks, while the 2/69th and 1/,2/86th were still motorized. The 90th Reconnaissance Battalion was reestablished, but as the 10th Reconnaissance Battalion. Otherwise the division's organization was unchanged. The division was destroyed in Tunis in May 1943. It was formally disbanded on 30 June 1943 and never reformed.

**11th Panzer Division:** It was formed on 8/1/40 from the independent 11th Schützen Brigade and other newly assigned units from various divisions. On 9/4/40 the 15th Panzer Regiment was detached from the 5th Panzer Division to join the newly forming the 11th Panzer Division. The 1/111th Schützen Regiment was organized from the 1/103rd Infantry Regiment of the 4th Infantry Division.

- 11th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/110th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/111th Schützen Regiment
- 61st Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/15th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/119th Artillery Regiment
- 231st Reconnaissance Battalion
- 61st Panzerjäger Battalion
- 209th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 341st Signals Battalion
- 61st Divisional Support Units

The division was destroyed in January 1943 at Stalingrad. In 1943 the 15th Panzer regiment formed a 3rd Battalion from the 2/35th Panzer Regiment (4th Panzer Division) and the 4/119th Artillery Regiment was organized from the 277th Army Flak Battalion. The 231st Reconnaissance battalion was merged with the 61st Motorcycle Battalion and on 4/29/43 this became the 11th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. At that time the 4/119th Artillery Regiment again became the 277th Army Flak Battalion (4/20/43) and the 1/15th Panzer Regiment became the 52nd Panzer (Panther) Battalion. In the fall it again became the 1/15th and the 3/15th was disbanded. The division had:

- 1/,2/110th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/111th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 11th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 2/,3/15th Panzer Regiment (in September 1st & 2nd Battalions)
- 1/,2/,3/119th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 277th Army Flak Battalion
- 90th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 209th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 89th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 61st Divisional Support Units

On 11/8/43 the 356th Infantry Division detached the 3/869th to the 11th Panzer Division to rebuild its panzer grenadiers. Sometime in late 1943 the 1/15th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/15th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks.

In February 1944, while in France, the division was reorganized and rebuilt by troops from the 273rd Reserve Panzer Division. On 9/23/44 the division incorporated the 113th Panzer Brigade (Panzer Grenadier Regiment and 2113th Panzer Battalion). It was taken into American captivity in the Bavarian forests on 5/4/45.

**12th Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/5/40 from the 2nd Motorized Infantry Division with:

- 12th Schützen Brigade (newly formed)
  - 1/,2/5th Schützen Regiment (formed from the 5th Inf. Regt.)
  - 1/,2/25th Schützen Regiment (formed from the 25th Inf. Regt.)
- 22nd Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/29th Panzer Regiment (newly formed)
- 1/,2/,3/2nd Artillery Regiment (1st & 2nd from 1/,3/2nd and the 3/2nd Artillery Regiment from the 1/38th Artillery Regiment).
- 2nd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 32nd Pioneer Battalion
- 2nd Signals Battalion
- 2nd Divisional Support Units

In 1942 the 3/29th Panzer Regiment became the 3/4th Panzer Regiment, 13th Panzer Division, the 2nd Reconnaissance Battalion was merged into the 22nd Motorcycle Battalion, which became the 12th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion on 4/20/43, and the 303rd Army Flak Battalion was raised and assigned to the division. The division then had:

- 1/,2/5th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/25th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 12th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/29th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/2nd Artillery Regiment
- 303rd Army Flak Battalion
- 2nd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 32nd Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 2nd Signals Battalion
- 2nd Divisional Support Units

The Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion was formed with 5 companies. On 4/17/44 it was reorganized with the 1st Company as armored cars, 2nd and 3rd Companies as Armored Reconnaissance Companies and the 4th as a Motorcycle Company. On 4/30/44 the 1/29th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/29th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks. The division was captured in Courland on 5/8/45 by the Russians.

**13th Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/11/40 from the 13th Motorized Infantry Division. The 4th Panzer Regiment was detached from the 2nd Panzer Division and assigned to the newly forming division. The division had:

- 13th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/66th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/93rd Schützen Regiment
- 43rd Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/4th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/13th Artillery Regiment
- 13th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 4th Pioneer Battalion
- 13th Signals Battalion
- 13th Divisional Support Units

Indications are that, initially, the 13th Panzer Division was a Lehr or school division allocated for the purpose of training soldiers in Rumania. Every regiment, battalion and support unit's name was prefaced with the term "Lehr" or "instruction".

In 1942 the 4th Panzer Regiment received a 3rd Battalion from the 1/29th Panzer Regiment, the 13th Artillery Regiment formed a 4th Battalion from the 275th Army Flak Battalion, and the 13th Reconnaissance Battalion and the 43rd Motorcycle Battalion were merged. In 1943 the 43rd Motorcycle Battalion became the 13th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion and the 274th Army Flak Battalion (the 4/13th Artillery Regiment) was replaced by 271st Army Flak Battalion. The third panzer regiment was again reduced to two battalions. The division then had:

- 1/,2/66th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/93rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 13th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/4th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/2nd Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 271st Army Flak Battalion
- 13th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 4th Pioneer Battalion
- 13th Signals Battalion
- 13th Divisional Support Units

On 1/25/44 the 1/4th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/4th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks.

In May 1944 the 1030th (Feldherrenhalle) Panzer Grenadier Regiment joined the division, but it was destroyed in the southern Ukraine in August. The division was reformed in 1944 with the Ersatz Brigade

Feldherrenhalle. In 1945 the division was again destroyed near Budapest, but was reformed and reorganized as the Feldherrnhalle Panzer Division. It surrendered to the allies on 5/8/45.

**14th Panzer Division:** Formed on 8/15/40 from the 4th Infantry division. It contained:

- 14th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/103rd Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/108th Schützen Regiment
- 64th Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/36th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/4th Artillery Regiment
- 4th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 40th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 13th Pioneer Battalion
- 4th Divisional Support units

In 1943 the 3/36th Panzer Regiment was formed by the assignment of the 3/7th Panzer Regiment (10th Panzer Division) to the 14th Panzer Division. The 4/4th Artillery Regiment was formed from the 276th Army Flak Battalion, while the 40th Reconnaissance battalion was merged into the 64th Motorcycle Battalion. In February 1943 the division was destroyed at Stalingrad. The division was reformed in March 1943 and had:

- 1/,2/103rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/108th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 14th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/36th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/4th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 276th Army Flak Battalion
- 4th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 13th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 4th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 4th Divisional Support Units

On 6/11/43 the 1/108th was renamed the 1/108th (Jäger) Panzer Grenadier Regiment. On 5/25/44 the 1/36th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/,3/36th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks. The 2/36th Panzer Regiment was destroyed in Courland and on 5/8/45 the entire division was taken prisoner in Courland.

**15th Panzer Division:** Formed on 11/1/40 from the 33rd Infantry Division. Organization was complete on 3/15/41. It contained:

- 15th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/104th Schützen Regiment
  - 1/,2/115th Schützen Regiment
- 15th Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/8th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/33rd Artillery Regiment
- 33rd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 33rd Pioneer Battalion

33rd Signals Battalion  
33rd Divisional Support units

The 33rd Signals Battalion was sunk enroute to Africa and replaced by the 78th Signals Battalion. On 9/1/41 the 104th Schützen Regiment was transferred to the 21st Panzer division. In its place the 2nd Machine Gun Battalion was assigned to the division and on 4/1/42 it became the 3/115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment. The 15th Motorcycle Battalion was also transferred to the 21st Panzer Division where it became the 3/104th Panzer Grenadier Regiment. The 15th Panzer Division had:

1/,2/,3/115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/8th Panzer Regiment  
1/,2/,3/33rd Panzer Artillery Regiment  
33rd Reconnaissance Battalion  
33rd Panzerjäger Battalion  
33rd Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
78th Signals Battalion  
33rd Divisional Support Units

The 3/115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment was the former 15th Motorcycle Battalion. On 2/26/43 the division was ordered reformed. The 3/8th Panzer Regiment was organized at this time from the 504th (Tiger) Panzer Battalion and the 115th Schützen and 3/47th Infantry Regiments were reorganized into two Panzer Grenadier Regiments, each with two battalions. On 4/29/43 the 33rd Reconnaissance Battalion was ordered to become the 15th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion, but this was apparently not done. The division was destroyed in Tunis in May 1943. Its losses were:

Division Staff  
33rd Mapping Detachment  
33rd Print Shop  
8th Panzer Regiment  
    Staff, 2 battalions (each with staff, staff company  
    & 4 companies), and armored maintenance company  
504th (Tiger) Panzer Battalion  
    1 company (staff & 2 companies still in Italy)  
115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
    Staff, staff company, 3 battalions (each with staffs,  
    staff co., 4 panzer grenadier cos) & 13th & 14th Cos  
3/47th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
    Staff & 4 companies  
15th Reconnaissance Battalion  
    Staff, 3 companies, & 1 light column  
33rd Panzerjäger Battalion  
    Staff, 3 companies, signals platoon  
33rd Artillery Regiment  
    Staff, staff & observation battery, & 3 battalions, each  
    with staff, staff battery & 3 batteries  
33rd Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
    Staff, 3 companies, 1 light supply column  
78th Panzer Signals Battalion  
    2 companies & 1 light supply column



33rd Feldersatz Battalion  
4 companies

**15th Panzer Division:** On 7/1/43 the Sizilien Division was reorganized into the 15th Panzer Division (the grenadier regiments becoming panzer grenadier regiments). On 7/15/43 the name was changed to the 15th Panzer Grenadier Division, but the regiments retained the title Panzer Grenadier Regiments instead of Motorized Grenadier Regiments of the other Panzer Grenadier Divisions. The division had:

1/,2/,3/104th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 1st Sizilien Grenadier Regiment)  
1/,2/,3/115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 2nd Sizilien Grenadier Regiment)  
1/,2/,3/129th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 3rd Sizilien Grenadier Regiment)  
Reggio Panzer Grenadier Battalion  
215th Panzer Battalion  
1/,2/,3/,4/33rd Panzer Artillery Regiment  
315th Flak Battalion (former Sizilien Flak Battalion)  
33rd Reconnaissance Battalion  
33rd Panzerjäger Battalion  
33rd Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
999th Signals Battalion  
33rd Divisional Support Troops

During the winter of 1943/44 the 115th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion was formed, the 2/33rd Artillery regiment reverted to the 557th Heavy Artillery Battalion and the 4/33rd Artillery Regiment became the 3/44th Artillery Regiment. The 115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment was disbanded and the 129th was renamed the 115th. The 215th Panzer Battalion became the 115th Panzer Battalion. The division had, in April 1944:

1/,2/,3/104th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/,3/115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
115th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion  
115th Panzer Battalion  
1/,2/,3/33rd Artillery Regiment  
315th Flak Battalion  
33rd Reconnaissance Battalion  
33rd Panzerjäger Battalion  
33rd Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
999th Signals Battalion  
33rd Divisional Support Troops  
33rd Divisional Support Troops

The order of 9/23/44 directed the 113th Panzer Brigade be incorporated into the division. It surrendered to the English on 5/8/45.

**16th Panzer Division:** Formed on 11/1/40 from the 16th Infantry Division with:

1/,2/64th Schützen Regiment (from 1/,2/64th Infantry Regiment)  
1/,2/79th Schützen Regiment (from 1/,2/79th Infantry Regiment)

16th Motorcycle Battalion (from 1st Machine Gun Battalion)  
1/,2/2nd Panzer Regiment (detached from 1st Panzer Division)  
1/,2/,3/16th Artillery Regiment (from Staff/,2/16th Artillery Regiment, 1/76th Artillery Regiment & 644th Heavy Artillery Battalion)  
16th Panzerjäger Battalion  
16th Pioneer Battalion  
16th Signals Battalion  
16th Divisional Support Troops

In 1942 the 3/2nd Panzer Regiment was formed from the 2/10th Panzer Regiment, while the 16th Motorcycle Battalion and the 16th Reconnaissance Battalion were merged. The 4/16th Artillery Regiment was formed from the 274th Army Flak Battalion. The division had:

1/,2/64th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/79th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
16th Motorcycle Battalion  
1/,2/,3/2nd Panzer Regiment  
1/,2/,3/,4/16th Panzer Artillery Regiment  
16th Panzerjäger Battalion  
16th Pioneer Battalion  
16th Signals Battalion  
16th Divisional Support Troops

The division was destroyed in 1943 at Stalingrad. It was reformed in March 1943 from the 890th Motorized Grenadier Regiment Reinforced and built into a full division with:

1/,2/64th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/79th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
16th Motorcycle Battalion (became 16th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion on 4/1/43)  
1/,2/,3/2nd Panzer Regiment  
1/,2/,3/,4/16th Panzer Artillery Regiment (4/16th Artillery Regiment reverted to the 274th Army Flak Battalion on 4/26/43)  
16th Divisional Support Troops

In December 1943 the 79th Panzer Grenadier Regiment was detached to become a new Corps unit, the 79th Panzer Fusilier Regiment (1st Battalion from the 1/79th, the 2nd Battalion with the 2/63rd from the 17th Panzer Division). The 2/79th became the 3/64th Panzer Grenadier Regiment. The division then had only the 1/,2/,3/64th Panzer Grenadier Regiment.

Sometime in late 1943 the 1/2nd Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/2nd Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks. In February 1945 the division was reorganized and incorporated the Jüterbog Panzer Division.

**17th Panzer Division:** Formed on 11/1/40 from the 27th Infantry Division and on 3/15/41 it had:

- 17th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/40th Schützen Regiment (from 1/,2/40th Infantry Regt)
  - 1/,2/63rd Schützen Regiment (from 1/,3/63rd Infantry Regt)
- 17th Motorcycle Battalion (from 2/63rd Infantry Regiment)
- 1/,2/39th Panzer Regiment (formed from 4th & 33rd Panzer Ersatz Battalions)
- 1/,2/,3/27th Artillery Regiment (from 27th & 1/63rd Artillery Regt)
- 27th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 27th Pioneer Battalion
- 27th Signals Battalion
- 27th Divisional Support Units

Between 6/1/41 and 8/16/41 the 3/39th Panzer Regiment was formed from the 1/Panzer Lehr Regiment. This battalion was attached only during that period. In 1942 the 1/39th Panzer Regiment became the 129th Panzer Battalion and was transferred to the 29th Panzer Grenadier Division. The division had only one panzer battalion during 1942. The 27th Reconnaissance Battalion was merged with the 17th Motorcycle Battalion and in 1943 this became the 17th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. The 297th Army Flak Battalion joined the division. In 1943 the division had:

- 1/,2/40th Schützen Regiment
- 1/,2/63rd Schützen Regiment
- 17th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 2/39th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/27th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 297th Army Flak Battalion
- 27th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 27th Pioneer Battalion
- 27th Signals Battalion
- 27th Divisional Support Units

In 1944 the Staff/39th Panzer Regiment was detached to become the Staff/108th Panzer Brigade. In December 1944 the 63rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment was disbanded. The staff became the 63rd Panzer Feldersatz Regiment, the 2nd Battalion became the 2/79th Panzer Fusilier Regiment and was detached. The 1/63rd Became the 3/40th. The division had, as a result, only a single heavy panzer Grenadier regiment with three battalions. The 39th Panzer Regiment was reformed into a two battalion regiment by the absorption of the 108th Panzer Brigade's staff and the assignment of the 2103rd Panzer Battalion (103rd Panzer Brigade). After heavy losses on the Vistula in January 1945 the division stood as a Kampfgruppe with:

- 1/,2/,3/40th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (3rd Battalion was equipped with bicycles)
- 1/39th Panzer Regiment
- 1 Artillery Battalion
- Reconnaissance Company
- Signals Company
- Pioneer Company

On 5/8/45 it surrendered to the allies.

**18th Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/26/40 from parts of the 4th and 14th Infantry Division. On 5/1/41 it had:

- 18th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/52nd Schützen Regiment (from 2/,3/52nd Infantry Regt)
  - 1/,2/101st Schützen Regiment (from 2/,3/101st Infantry Regt)
- 18th Motorcycle Battalion (from 1/52nd Infantry Regiment)
- 1/,2/18th Panzer Regiment (from "A" & "B" Panzer Battalions on 12/6/40) (diving and wading panzers)
- 1/,2/28th Panzer Regiment (from "C" & "D" Panzer Battalions on 12/6/40) (diving and wading panzers)
- 1/,2/,3/88th Artillery Regiment (from Staff/209th Artillery Battalion, 2/14th Artillery Regiment, 630th & 741st Artillery Battalions)
- 88th Divisional Support Units, including
  - 98th Pioneer Battalion

On 3/1/41 the staff of the 28th Panzer Regiment was disbanded, the 2/28th Panzer Regiment became the 3/18th, and the 1/28th became the 3/6th Panzer Regiment.

On 5/15/42 the 18th Panzer Regiment was disbanded. Its staff became the staff of the 18th Panzer Regiment, the 1/18th became the 160th Panzer Battalion and the 2/18th became the 103rd Panzer Battalion. Only the 3/18th remained and was redesignated as the 18th Panzer Battalion. The division received the 292nd Army Flak Battalion. The 88th Reconnaissance Battalion was merged with the 18th Motorcycle Battalion and on 4/29/42 became the 18th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. On 3/28/44 the 292nd Army Flak Battalion was reduced by one battery. The division had:

- 1/,2/52nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/101st Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 18th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 18th Panzer Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/18th Panzer Artillery Regiment (with 10 btrys, including 292nd Flak Battalion)
- 88th Divisional Support Units, including
  - 98th Panzer Pioneer Battalion

On 9/29/43 it was disbanded. The division staff, artillery regiment, signals battalion, reconnaissance battalion and panzerjäger battalion were used to build the 18th Artillery Division. The 18th Panzer Battalion became the 504th Panzer Battalion.

**19th Panzer Division:** Formed on 11/1/40 from the 19th Infantry Division. It had:

- 19th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/73rd Schützen Regiment (from 2/,3/73rd Infantry Regt)
  - 1/,2/74th Schützen Regiment (from 2/,3/74th Infantry Regt)
- 19th Motorcycle Battalion (from 1/73rd Infantry Regiment)
- 1/,2/,3/27th Panzer Regiment (from 10th, 11th, & 25th Ersatz Panzer Battalions)
- 1/,2/,3/19th Artillery Regiment (from 19th Artillery Regiment, 3/19th from 446th Artillery Battalion)

19th Panzerjäger Battalion  
19th Pioneer Battalion  
19th Signals Battalion  
19th Divisional Support Units

On 8/10/41 the 3/27th Panzer Regiment was disbanded. On 3/31/42 the 1/27th Panzer Regiment was disbanded, leaving only the 2/27th Panzer Regiment with the division, which was then renamed the 1/27th Panzer Regiment. The 138th Panzer Battalion was assigned as a new 2/27th Panzer Regiment in October 1943. In 1943 the Reconnaissance battalion and the 19th Motorcycle Battalion merged and on 4/29/43 they became the 19th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. In addition, the 272nd Army Flak Battalion was assigned to the division. The division then had:

1/,2/27th Panzer Regiment  
1/,2/73rd Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/74th Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/27th Panzer Regiment  
19th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion  
1/,2/,3/19th Panzer Artillery Regiment  
272nd Army Flak Battalion  
19th Panzerjäger Battalion  
19th Pioneer Battalion  
19th Signals Battalion  
19th Divisional Support Units

On 3/30/44 the 1/27th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/1st Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks.

In June 1944 the division was sent to the Netherlands where it reformed and reformed as a Type 44 Panzer Division.

**20th Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/15/40 with forces drawn from the 19th Infantry Division when it was reorganized into the 19th Panzer Division. On 5/1/41 the division had:

20th Schützen Brigade  
1/,2/59th Schützen Regiment (from 1/,3/59th Infantry Regt)  
1/,2/112th Schützen Regiment (from 3/74th & 2/59th Infantry Regiment)  
20th Motorcycle Battalion (from 3/115th Infantry Regiment)  
1/,2/,3/21st Panzer Regiment (from 7th & 35th Panzer Ersatz Battalions)  
1/,2/,3/92nd Artillery Regiment (from 3/19th, 3/697th & 648th Heavy Artillery Battalion)  
92nd Panzerjäger Battalion  
92nd Pioneer Battalion  
92nd Signals Battalion  
92nd Divisional Support Units

In 1942 the 1/,2/21st Panzer Regiment, 2/112th Schützen Regiment, and the 20th Reconnaissance Battalions were disbanded. The Staff/21st Panzer Regiment became the Staff/21st Panzer Brigade. The division then had only the 3/21st Panzer Regiment, which was renamed

the 21st Panzer Battalion. On 4/20/43 the Staff/,2/112th Schützen Regiment were reformed with the 890th Motorized Grenadier Regiment.

In 1944, during the battles around Kholm and Lublin, the division was badly mauled and reduced to the strength of a Kampfgruppe. Other portions were pulled out of the line and reorganized. The reorganized division fought on the Rumanian front. The 21st Panzer Regiment was reformed when the 2101st Panzer Battalion became the 2/21st Panzer Regiment. The 21st Panzer Battalion became the 1/21st Panzer Regiment. It surrendered to the allies on 5/8/45.

**21st Panzer Division:** Formed on 8/1/41 in Africa from the 5th Light Division. The division had:

- 1/,2/104th Schützen Regiment (from 15th Pz.Div)
- 15th Motorcycle Battalion (from 15th Pz.Div)
- 1/,2/5th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/155th Artillery Regiment (from 864th Artillery Battalion, 1/75th Artillery Regiment and 911th Heavy Artillery Battalion)
- 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion
- 39th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 200th Signals Battalion
- 200th Divisional Support Units

On 4/1/42 the 1/104th Schützen Regiment was captured and replaced by the 8th Machine Gun Battalion. At the same time the 15th Motorcycle Battalion became the 3/104th Schützen Regiment. In 1943 the 305th Army Flak Battalion, formerly the 609th Flak Battalion, became the 4/155th Artillery Regiment. On 2/26/43 the division was reorganized. The division exchanged the 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion to the 90th Light Division for the 580th Reconnaissance Battalion, and the 200th Panzer Pioneer Battalion to the 164th Light Afrika Division for the 220th Panzer Pioneer Battalion. The division had:

- 1/,2/47th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/104th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/5th Panzer Regiment (1st Battalion from old 1/,2/5th & 2nd from the 190th Battalion of the 90th Light Afrika Division.)
- 1/,2/,3/155th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 200th Divisional Troops, including
- 220th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 580th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion

On 4/29/43 the 580th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion became the 21st Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. In addition, the division's panzer grenadier element was dramatically changed. The 47th and 104th Panzer Grenadier Regiments were replaced by the 192nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment, which was expanded to four battalions. The panzerjäger battalion was the 39th and the 305th Flak Battalion was added. The division was destroyed when the allies recaptured North Africa. Its losses were:

- Division Staff
- 200th Mapping Detachment

200th Print Shop  
 5th Panzer Regiment  
     Staff, staff company, 2 battalions each with staff, staff  
     company, & 4 companies, and 1 armored repair company  
 192nd (104th) Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
     Staff, staff company, 4 battalions & 13th Company  
 21st (580th) Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion  
     Staff & 3 companies  
 39th Panzerjäger Battalion  
     Staff & 3 companies  
 155th Panzer Artillery Regiment  
     Staff, staff battery, 3 Battalions (each with staff,  
     staff battery & total of 5 (9) batteries)  
 305th Army Flak Battalion (609th Flak Battalion)  
     Staff, staff battery, 3 batteries, & 1 light supply column  
 200th Panzer Signals Battalion  
     2 companies & 1 light supply column  
 220th Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
     3 companies & 1 light supply column  
 200th Feldersatz Battalion  
     4 companies

**21st Panzer Division:** Reformed on 7/15/43 in France, near Rennes, by the reorganization of the 931st Fast Brigade and other forces. The division had:

1/,2/125th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from West Fast  
     Brigade)  
 1/,2/192nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment (newly formed)  
 21st Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion (from 1st & 2nd Cos,  
     931st Motorcycle Battalion and built up from  
     Panzer Reconnaissance Lehr Battalion)  
 1/,2/100th Panzer Regiment (from 223rd Panzer Battalion,  
     Paris Panzer Co. and Panzer Co. of the LXXXXI Army Corps  
     - captured French tanks).  
 1/,2/,3/155th Panzer Artillery Regiment (from the 931st Artillery  
     Regiment)  
 305th Army Flak Battalion (newly formed)  
 200th Divisional Support Troops, including  
     220th Pioneer Battalion

In August 1944 the 16th Luftwaffe Field Division's infantry was absorbed into the division. The 21st Division was later destroyed in the Falaise Pocket.

The division was reformed in September 1944 in Lorraine from the 112th Panzer Brigade (2112nd Panzer Battalion and 2112nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment). The 22nd Panzer Regiment was formed using the 22nd Panzer Battalion (former 2112nd Panzer Battalion) as the 1st Battalion and a newly formed 2nd Battalion. It surrendered to the allies on 4/29/45.

**22nd Panzer Division:** Formed on 9/25/41 in France from the 2204th Panzer Regiment and two newly formed schützen regiments. It had:

22nd Schützen Brigade  
1/,2/129th Schützen Regiment  
1/,2/140th Schützen Regiment  
24th Motorcycle Battalion  
1/,2/204th Panzer Regiment  
1/,2/,3/140th Artillery Regiment (from 3/337th, 2/44th &  
4/227th Artillery Regiments)  
140th Divisional Support Units, including  
50th Panzer Pioneer Battalion

In 1942 the 3/204th Panzer Regiment was formed. At the same time the 289th Army Flak Battalion became the 4/140th Artillery Regiment. The 140th Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 3/204th Panzer Regiment, and 1/140th Artillery Regiment were detached to the Michalik Group, 2nd Army. On 9/5/42 the Michalik Group joined the 27th Panzer Division. The order of 2/9/43 disbanded the division and some of its fragments were absorbed into the 6th Panzer Division. The rest of the division was used to form Kampfgruppe Burgsthaler. Kampfgruppe Burgsthaler consisted of 1/129th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (5 cos), 204th Armored Group (panzer & sturmgeschütz companies ), 24th Motorcycle Company, 140th Panzerjäger Company, 140th Signals Company, and 140th Flak Battery. On 4/7/43 it was absorbed into the 23rd Panzer Division. The staff 1/129th Panzer Grenadiers became the Staff/Field Lehr Battalion of the 23rd Panzer Division.

What was not absorbed was distributed as followed: Staff/204th Panzer Regiment became the 509th Panzer Battalion, Staff/140th Artillery Regiment became the Staff/732nd Army Artillery Brigade, and the 3/140th Artillery Regiment became the 1/959th Army Artillery Brigade.

**23rd Panzer Division:** Formed on 9/21/41 in France by the 1st Army Corps from the 101st Panzer Brigade, which consisted of the 201st Panzer Regiment and two newly formed schützen regiments. The division had:

23rd Schützen Brigade  
1/,2/126th Schützen Regiment  
1/,2/128th Schützen Regiment  
1/,2/,3/201st Panzer Regiment  
23rd Motorcycle Battalion  
1/,2/,3/128th Artillery Regiment (from 3/335th, 847th  
and 863rd Artillery Battalions)  
128th Panzerjäger Battalion  
128th Signals Battalion  
51st Pioneer Battalion  
128th Divisional Support Troops

In 1942 the 4/128th Artillery Regiment was formed from the 278th Army Flak Battalion and the term "schützen" was changed to "panzer grenadier" in the regiment. In 1943 the 4/128th Artillery once again became the 278th Army Flak Battalion, the 3/201st Panzer Regiment was disbanded, and the motorcycle battalion was converted into the 23rd Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion. The 201st Panzer Regiment was renamed the 23rd Panzer Regiment on 8/16/43.

In 1944 the 128th Panzer Grenadier Regiment was disbanded, merged with the 126th Panzer Grenadier Regiment and then reformed



from the 1031st Motorized Grenadier Regiment. The division then had:

- 1/,2/126th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/128th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/23rd Panzer Regiment
- 23rd Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 278th Army Flak Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/128th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 128th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 128th Signals Battalion
- 51st Pioneer Battalion
- 128th Divisional Support Troops

Sometime in late 1943 the 2/201st Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 1/201st Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks. It surrendered to the allies on 4/29/45.

**24th Panzer Division:** Formed on 11/28/41 by the conversion of the 1st Cavalry Division into a panzer division. In February 1942 the division had:

- 24th Schützen Brigade
  - 1/,2/21st Schützen Regiment (former 1st Reiter Regiments)
  - 1/,2/26th Schützen Regiment (former 22nd Reiter Regiments)
- 1/,2/24th Panzer Regiment (former 2nd & 21st Reiter Regiments)
- 4th Motorcycle Battalion (former 1st Bicycle Battalion)
- 1/,2/,3/89th Artillery Regiment (from 1st Cavalry Artillery Regiment)
- 40th Divisional Support Troops, including
  - 86th Signals Battalion

In 1942 the artillery regiment formed a 4th Battalion from the 283rd Army Flak Battalion. In 1942 the schützen were renamed panzer grenadiers. The division was destroyed in January 1943 at Stalingrad. The division was reformed in France and had:

- 1/,2/21st Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 891st Panzer Grenadier Regiment)
- 1/,2/26th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 891st Panzer Grenadier Regiment)
- 1/,2/,3/24th Panzer Regiment
- 4th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/,3/89th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 283rd Flak Battalion
- 86th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 40th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 40th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 89th Feldersatz Battalion
- 40th Divisional Support Troops

In December 1943 the 2/24th Panzer Regiment was disbanded and the 3/24th was renumbered 2/24th. In September 1944 the 40th Panzerjäger Battalion was rebuilt from the 471st Panzer Destroyer Battalion. On 5/30/44 the 1/24th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/24th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with

Panzer MK IV tanks.

In the middle of 1944 the 1/24th Panzer Regiment was detached to the 1st Panzer Division. In January 1945 the 24th Panzer Division consisted of a kampfguppe with only the 21st Panzer Grenadier Regiment, two Panzer Companies (V), and the 40th Panzerjäger Battalion. In March 1945 the division was supported by the 9th Grenadier Regiment (1/,2/9th and 1/68th) from the 23rd Infantry Division. It surrendered to the allies on 5/4/45.

**25th Panzer Division:** Formed on 2/25/42 in Norway as Schützen Verband Oslo with:

- 1/,2/,3/146th Schützen Regiment
- 214th Panzer Battalion
- 514th Panzerjäger Company
- 91st 100mm Cannon Battery
- 91st Self Propelled (88mm) Battery

On 6/15/43 the division was brought to full strength with:

- 1/,2/146th Schützen Regiment
- 1/,2/147th Schützen Regiment
- 87th Motorcycle Battalion
- 1/,2/9th Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/91st Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 279th Army Flak Battalion
- 744th Pioneer Battalion
- 87th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 87th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 87th Feldersatz Battalion
- 87th Divisional Support Troops

In August 1943 the division was sent to France and then to Russia. In February 1944 it was destroyed in the northern Ukraine. On 5/10/44 it was reformed in Denmark with the Norwegian Panzer Division and the 104th Panzer Brigade were merged on 14/6/44. The division had:

- 1/,2/146th Schützen Regiment (from 2146th & 3/Norwegian Panzer Grenadier Regiment)
- 1/,2/147th Schützen Regiment (from Krampnitz Panzer Troop School, 2104th Panzer Grenadier Battalion & new drafts)
- 25th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1/,2/9th Panzer Regiment (from 2104th & 2111th Panzer Bns)
- 1/,2/,3/91st Panzer Artillery Regiment (from 3/2nd Artillery Lehr Regiment, 1/91st, Norwegian Panzer Artillery Bn)
- 279th Army Flak Battalion
- 81st Pioneer Battalion
- 87th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 87th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 91st Feldersatz Battalion
- 87th Divisional Support Troops

It surrendered to the allies on 5/9/45.

**26th Panzer Division:** Formed on 9/14/42 in France from the 23rd Infantry Division. It had:

- 26th Panzer Grenadier Brigade
  - 1/,2/9th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 9th Infantry Regt)
  - 1/,2/67th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 67th Inf. Regt)
- 26th Motorcycle Battalion (from 23rd Bicycle Battalion)
- 1/,2/26th Panzer Regiment (from 2/,3/202nd Panzer Regiment)
- 1/,2/,3/93rd Panzer Artillery Regiment (from 23rd Panzer Artillery Regiment)
- 304th Army Flak Battalion
- 93rd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 93rd Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 93rd Panzer Signals Battalion
- 93rd Divisional Support Troops

On 7/23/43 the 93rd Panzerjäger Battalion was detached and was assigned at the army level. Sometime in late 1943 the 1/26th Panzer Regiment was equipped with Panther tanks. The 2/26th Panzer Regiment continued to be equipped with Panzer MK IV tanks.

On 10/17/44 the 51st Panzerjäger Battalion was assigned to the division to make up for this loss. In 1944 the 6th Panzer Division received the 1/26th Panzer Regiment, which became the 1/Brandenburg Panzer Regiment in 1945 and the 1(Panther)/4th Panzer Regiment became the 1/26th in April. On 6/11/44 the division was reinforced by the absorption of the 1027th Motorized Grenadier Brigade and in November 1944 the 20th Field Division (L) was absorbed into the division. It surrendered to the allies on 5/9/45.

**27th Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/1/42 in southern Russia by the renaming of the Michalek Panzer Group (detached from the 22nd Panzer Division). The division had:

- 1/,2/140th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 22nd Panzer Division)
- 127th Panzer Battalion (from 3/204th Panzer Regiment)
- 1/,2/127th Panzer Artillery Regiment (from staff/677th Artillery Regiment, 1/140th Panzer Artillery Regiment, and the 2/51st Artillery Regiment)
- 127th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 127th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 127th Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 127th Panzer Signals Battalion
- 127th Divisional Support Troops

The 127th Schnell Battalion was formed from the 560th Panzerjäger Battalion and the 127th Pioneer Battalion was formed from the 260th Pioneer Battalion. On 2/15/43 the division was disbanded and absorbed into the 7th Panzer Division. The 1/140th Panzer Grenadier Regiment became the 2/7th Panzer Grenadier Regiment, the 127th Panzer Battalion was absorbed into the 24th Panzer Division as the 3/24th Panzer Regiment.

**100th Panzer Brigade:** Formed on 3/1/41 with the staff/8th Panzer Brigade in France. It contained:

201st Panzer (Captured Tank) Regiment  
202nd Panzer (Captured Tank) Regiment  
301st Panzer Battalion

It absorbed a number of other small armored formations, including the Versailles Company Leader School of Panzer Troops.

**101st Panzer Brigade:** Formed on 7/5/41 in France with captured tanks. The brigade had:

203rd Panzer (Captured Tank) Regiment  
204th Panzer (Captured Tank) Regiment

On 9/21/41 it was used to form the staff of the 23rd Panzer Division.

**101st Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/11/44, it was not formed until 8/15/44. It contained the:

2101st Panzer Battalion (4 companies)  
2101st Panzer Grenadier Battalion (3 companies)  
2101st Brigade Support Units

In October 1944 the brigade was reformed near Bobruisk, then it was merged with the remains of the destroyed 20th Panzer Division. The brigade staff formed the Staff/21st Panzer Regiment, the armored battalion became the 2/21st Panzer Regiment, while the Panzer Grenadier Battalion became a Jagd-Kommando in the 20th Panzer Division.

**102nd Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/20/44, it was not formed until 8/15/44. It contained the:

2102nd Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank companies)  
2102nd Panzer Grenadier Battalion (3 half track companies)  
2102nd Brigade Support Units  
2102nd Pioneer Company

The brigade was disbanded on 11/27/44 and absorbed into the 7th Panzer Division.

**103rd Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/26/44, it was not formed until 8/15/44. It contained the:

2103rd Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank cos from Panzer Battalion Norway)  
2103rd Panzer Grenadier Battalion (3 half track companies)  
2103rd Brigade Support Units

The brigade was disbanded in November 1944. The Panzer Grenadier Battalion was disbanded and the armored battalion became the 1/39th Panzer Regiment in the 17th Panzer Division.

**104th Panzer Brigade:** Formed on 7/18/44 it had:

2104th Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank companies)

2104th Panzer Grenadier Battalion (3 half track companies)  
2104th Brigade Support Units (including a pioneer company)

It was disbanded on 6 November 1944 and incorporated into the 25th Panzer Division. The 2104th Panzer Battalion became the 1/9th Panzer Regiment and the grenadiers became the 1/147th Panzer Grenadier Regiment.

**105th Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/11/44, it was not formed until 7/28/44. It contained the remnants of the 18th Panzer Grenadier Division:

2105th Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank companies)  
2105th Panzer Grenadier Battalion (5 half track companies)  
2105th Brigade Support Units

On 8/31/44 the brigade was sent to Belgium. On 9/23/44 it was disbanded on the lower Rhine and used to reform the 9th Panzer Division that was decimated in Normandy. The panzer grenadiers became the 2/11th Panzer Grenadier Regiment and the panzer battalion became the 2/10th Panzer Regiment of the 8th Panzer Division.

**106th Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/11/44, it was not formed until 7/28/44. It contained the remnants of the Feldherrnhalle Panzer Grenadier Division:

2106th Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank companies)  
2106th Panzer Grenadier Battalion (5 half track companies)  
2106th Brigade Support Units  
2106th Pioneer Battalion

It was captured in the Ruhr Pocket in 1945.

**107th Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/11/44, it was not formed until 9/15/44. It contained the remnants of the 25th Panzer Grenadier Division:

2107th Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank companies)  
2107th Panzer Grenadier Battalion (5 half track companies)  
2107th Brigade Support Units  
2107th Pioneer Battalion

On 11/7/44 the brigade was disbanded and used to bring the 25th Panzer Grenadier Division Kampfgruppe back up to the strength of a full division. The staff and panzer grenadier battalion became the Staff/, 1/119th Panzer Grenadier Regiment and the armored battalion became the 5th Panzer Battalion, assigned to the division.

**108th Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/11/44 it was not formed until 9/15/44. It contained the:

2108th Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank companies)  
2108th Panzer Grenadier Battalion (5 half track companies)  
2108th Brigade Support Units

In November the brigade was disbanded. The brigade staff became the Staff/39th Panzer Regiment, the panzer battalion became part of the Coburg Panzer Regiment, and the panzer grenadier battalion was incorporated into the 116th Panzer Grenadier Division.

**109th Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/19/44, it was not formed until 9/25/44. It was organized with the remains of the 25th Panzer Division and part of the 233rd Reserve Panzer Division, the brigade had:

- 2109th Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank companies)
- 2109th Panzer Grenadier Battalion (5 half track companies)
- 2109th Brigade Support Units

In October 1944 it was used to rebuild the Feldherrnhalle Panzer Division.

**110th Panzer Brigade:** Ordered formed on 7/19/44 it was not formed until 9/25/44, with the troops from the Feldherrnhalle ERsatz Battalion.

- 2110th Panzer Battalion (4 Panther Tank companies)
- 2110th Panzer Grenadier Battalion (5 half track companies)
- 2110th Brigade Support Units
- 2110th Pioneer Company

In September 1944 the brigade was used to rebuild the destroyed 13th Panzer Division, later renamed the 2nd Feldherrenhalle Panzer Division.

**111th Panzer Brigade:** Formed on 9/4/44, the brigade had:

- 2111th Panzer Battalion (4 companies)
- 1/,2/2111th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 2111th Brigade Support Units
- 2111th Armored Reconnaissance Company
- 2111th Flak Company
- 2111th Sturmgeschütz Battalion

The brigade also contained the 1/16th Panzer Regiment from the 116th Panzer Division, which was equipped with Panther tanks. The brigade was sent on 9/6/44 to Lorraine. On 9/25/44 it was disbanded and incorporated into the 15th Panzer Grenadier Division. There is also some indication that on 10/1/44 it was incorporated into the 11th Panzer Division. The two armored battalions were reformed and in December 1944 the 2111th Panzer Battalion was used to rebuild the 2/9th Panzer Regiment (25th Panzer Division).

**112th Panzer Brigade:** Formed on 9/4/44, the brigade had:

- 2112th Panzer Battalion
- 1/,2/2112th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 2112th Brigade Support Units
- 2112th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 2112th Flak Company

#### 2112th Sturmgeschütz Battalion

On 9/6/44 the brigade was sent to Epinal. On 9/23/44 it was disbanded and incorporated into the 21st Panzer Division.

**113th Panzer Brigade:** Formed on 9/4/44, the brigade had:

- 2113th Panzer Battalion
- 1/,2/2113th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 2113th Brigade Support Units
- 2113th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 2113th Flak Company
- 2113th Sturmgeschütz Battalion

The brigade also contained the 1/130th (Panther) Panzer Regiment from the Panzer Lehr Division. On 9/6/44 the brigade was sent to Kolmar and on 9/16/44 sent to Saarburg. On 10/1/44 it was used to reinforce the 15th Panzer Grenadier division. The two panzer battalions were detached, the 2113rd Panzer Battalion becoming the 2/10th Panzer Regiment, 8th Panzer Division.

**116th Panzer Division:** Formed on 3/28/44 in France from the remains of the 16th Panzer Grenadier Division and the 179th Reserve Panzer Division. The division had:

- 1/,2/16th Panzer Regiment (from Staff/69th Panzer Regiment,  
116th Panzer Battalion & 1st Reserve Panzer Battalion  
(179th Reserve Panzer Division))
- 1/,2/60th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 60th (mot)  
Grenadier Regiment)
- 1/,2/156th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 156th (mot)  
Grenadier Regiment)
- 116th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion (from 1st  
Reserve Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion)
- 1/,2/,3/146th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 281st Army Flak Battalion
- 288th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 675th Pioneer Battalion
- 228th Signals Battalion
- 66th Supply Units

After heavy losses in Normandy the division was rebuilt in the Eifel by incorporating the XII, XIII, and XIX Landwehr Fortress Battalions. On 10/13/44 it absorbed the 108th Panzer Brigade. It was taken prisoner in the Ruhr pocket on 4/17/45.

**Panzerkorps Feldherrnhalle:** Formed on 11/27/44 from the IV Panzer Corps in Army Group Middle with the remains of the Feldherrnhalle Panzer Grenadier Division and the 13th Panzer Division. On 11/27/44 the corps had:

- Artillery Command FH
- Staff/Pioneer Regiment FH
- Heavy Panzer Battalion FH (from 503rd (Tiger) Panzer Battalion)
- 1/,2/Corps Fusilier Regiment FH (not formed)

Panzer Corps Artillery Battalion (1/104th & 2/404th Artillery  
 Regiment)  
 404th Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
 44th Panzer Signals Battalion  
 1/,2/Panzer Feldersatz Regiment FH (not formed)  
 Panzer Corps Support Troops FH  
 Supply Battalion FH  
 Campaign Battalion FH  
 404th Medical Battalion

The corps later added the 429th Machine Gun Battalion as the Ma-  
 chine Gun Battalion Feldherrnhalle. The corps was first used in Hun-  
 gary in February 1945.

**2nd Feldherrnhalle Panzer Division:** Formed in March 1945 by the  
 renaming of the 13th Panzer division. The renaming of the units were  
 as follows:

| <u>Original Name</u>                   | <u>Became</u>                          |
|--|--|
| 1/,2/,3/66th Panzer Grenadier Regiment | = 3rd FH Panzer Grenadier Regiment     |
| 1/,2/4th Panzer Regiment               | = 2nd FH Panzer Regiment               |
| 13th Panzer Reconnaissance Bn (3 sqns) | = not renamed                          |
| 13th Panzerjäger Battalion (3 cos)     | = 2nd FH Panzerjäger Battalion         |
| 1/,2/,3/13th Panzer Artillery Regiment | = 2nd FH Panzer Artillery Regiment     |
| 271st Army Flak Battalion (5 btrys)    | = 2nd FH Army Flak Artillery Battalion |
| 4th Panzer Pioneer Battalion (3 cos)   | = 2nd FH Panzer Pioneer Battalion      |
| 13th Panzer Signals Battalion (2 cos)  | = not renamed                          |

Initially the 93rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment was to be absorbed  
 into the 66th Panzer Grenadier Regiment, but instead it was used to  
 form the FH Corps Fusilier Regiment. The 13th Panzer Division was  
 reorganized from the 110th Panzer Brigade (2110th Panzer Battalion and  
 the 2110th Panzer Grenadier Regiment). On 7/19/44 the 13th Panzer  
 Division was totally destroyed in Budapest. The Feldherrnhalle Divi-  
 sion was later taken into captivity by the Russians on 5/8/45.

**Generalkommando Grossdeutschland Panzer Corps:** This formation was  
 formed on 9/28/44 from the 18th Artillery Division and the remains of  
 the XXIII Army Corps with the Grossdeutschland Panzer Grenadier Divi-  
 sion and the Brandenburg Panzer Grenadier Division. Aside from the  
 units mentioned, it contained the following support units:

500th Artillery Command  
 Staff/500th Pioneer Battalion  
 Grossdeutschland Fusilier Regiment  
 Grossdeutschland Heavy Panzer Battalion  
 1/,2/500th (mot) Artillery Regiment  
 500th Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
 500th Panzer Corps Signals Battalion  
 Grossdeutschland Panzer Feldersatz Regiment (formed from the  
 ersatz battalions of the Grossdeutschland and Brandenburg  
 divisions).  
 500th Administrative Regiment (with supply column battalion,  
 campaign battalion, vehicle park battalion, and medical  
 battalion.



**Grossdeutschland Ersatz Brigade:** Formed on 6/1/42 as a replacement training formation for the Grossdeutschland Division. It contained:

Grossdeutschland (mot) Infantry Ersatz Regiment  
Grossdeutschland Artillery Ersatz Battalion

Between 2/10/43 and 1/1/44 it also contained a Fast Troop Training Battalion, which, after 8/13/1943, was known as the Panzer Truppen Ersatz und Ausbildungs Abteilung. In the beginning of February 1945 the brigade was used as an Alarm Unit near Forst/Lausitz and on 3/10/45 it was used to rebuild the Brandenburg Panzer Grenadier Division. It was reformed in Schleswig-Holstein as the Panzer Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Brigade Grossdeutschland. ON 4/4/1945 it was reorganized as the Panzer-Ausbildungs Verband Grossdeutschland. It had:

Grossdeutschland Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion (not formed)  
1/,2/,3/Grossdeutschland Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment  
Grossdeutschland Officer School  
Grossdeutschland Panzer Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion  
Grossdeutschland Panzer Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion (2 cos)  
Grossdeutschland Panzer Signals Ausbildungs Battalion (1 co)  
20th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion

This formation later served with the Clauswitz Panzer Division. It was eventually absorbed into the 15th Panzer Division and was captured by the English.

**Panzer Lehr Division** Formed on 1/10/44 in France around Nancy and Verdun, with troops from various instructional schools. The division had:

1/,2/130th Panzer Lehr Regiment  
1/,2/901st Panzer Grenadier Lehr Regiment  
1/,2/902nd Panzer Grenadier Lehr Regiment  
130th Panzer Lehr Reconnaissance Battalion (5 companies)  
130th Panzer Lehr Panzerjäger Battalion  
1/,2/,3/130th Panzer Artillery Regiment  
311th Army Flak Battalion  
130th Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
130th Panzer Signals Battalion  
130th Feldersatz Battalion  
130th Divisional Support Units

On 4/4/44 the Panzer Lehr Regiment, the Panzer Lehr Reconnaissance Battalion and the Panzerjäger Battalion were given the number 130th. After heavy losses in Normandy, the division was refreshed on 10/15/44. Later, in 1945 when the division was again reorganized, the 509th Fast Battalion was absorbed into the 2/901st Panzer Grenadier Regiment. The division was taken prisoner in the Ruhr Pocket by the Americans on 4/16/45.

**General Göring Brigade:** Formed in July 1942 in France with the:

1/,2/,4/General Göring Flak Regiment

211th Flak Battalion (as 4th Bn, General Göring Flak Regiment)  
1/,2/,3/General Göring Schützen Regiment

In November 1942 the brigade was used to organize the General Göring Division.

**General Göring Division:** Formed from the General Göring Brigade in November 1942. The divisional infantry consisted of:

1st Herman Göring Grenadier Regiment (fro HG Schützen Regiment)  
2nd Herman Göring Grenadier Regiment (new)  
Herman Göring Jäger Regiment (formed in Feb 1943 by renaming 5th Fallschirm-jäger Regiment)

A panzer regiment and divisional support troops were added to bring the division up to the strength of a panzer division while the division was in southern France. In late 1942 the division contained:

Divisional Staff & Staff Company

1st HG Grenadier Regiment

1st Battalion (half track) (not ready until 1 April 1943)  
2nd & 3rd Battalions (mot)  
13th Heavy Infantry Gun Company  
14th Panzerjäger Company

2nd HG Grenadier Regiment (forming)

1st Battalion (half track)  
2nd & 3rd Battalions (mot)  
13th Heavy Infantry Gun Company  
14th Panzerjäger Company

1/,3/Jäger Regiment HG (formerly 5th Fallschirmjäger Regiment)  
organization unknown

Panzer Regiment HG

1st Battalion (1-3rd Companies to be ready 1 April 1943,  
4th Company forming)  
2nd Battalion (5-7th Companies to be ready 1 April 1943,  
8th Company forming)

Flak Regiment

1st & 2nd Flak Battalions  
3rd Flak Battalion (former 1/49th Flak Regiment)

Artillery Regiment HG

1st Battalion (2nd & 3rd Btrys to be ready 1 April 1943)  
2nd Battalion (staff, staff battery & 6th battery to  
be ready 1 April 1943)  
3rd Battalion (forming)  
4th Battalion (forming)  
5th Assault Gun Battalion (later III Sturmgeschütz  
Abteilung/Panzer Regiment HG)

Reconnaissance Battalion HG

Staff Company  
1st Motorcycle Company  
2nd Volkswagen Company  
3rd Armored Car Company (to be ready 1 April 1943)  
4th Panzerjäger Company  
5th Heavy Company  
6th Flak (20mm) Company

Panzer Pioneer Battalion HG  
     Staff Company  
     1-4th Panzer Pioneer Companies  
Panzer Signals Battalion HG  
     Staff Company  
     1st Panzer Radio Company  
     2nd Panzer Telephone Company  
Medical Battalion HG  
     3 Medical Companies (2 forming)  
Supply Regiment  
     2 Battalions  
     1 Battalion in planning stage  
     1 Vehicle Maintenance Battalion (forming)  
Other  
     Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment HG  
     Wach Regiment (later Führer-Begleit-Regiment  
     Military Police detachment  
     Field Post Office

Large portions of the division were sent to Tunisia where they were destroyed. The remainder was absorbed into other formations.

**Herman Göring Panzer Division:** Formed in June 1943 in Sicily from the survivors of the General Göring Division that had been destroyed in Tunisia or had not yet been shipped to Tunisia. The division had:

1/,2/1st Herman Göring Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
 1/,2/2nd Herman Göring Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
 1/,2/,3/Herman Göring Panzer Regiment  
 Herman Göring Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion  
 1/,2/,3/Herman Göring Panzer Artillery Regiment  
 Herman Göring Flak Regiment  
 Herman Göring Panzer Pioneer Battalion  
 Herman Göring Panzer Signals Battalion  
 Herman Göring Panzer Administrative and Support Units

The division was reorganized in August 1944 as the Herman Göring Parachute (Fallschirm-jäger) Panzer Division.

**Herman Göring Fallschirm-jäger Panzer Corps:** Formed on 9/24/44 by the strengthening of the Herman Göring Fallschirm-jäger Panzer Division into a panzer corps.

**General Command Parachute-Panzer Corps Herman Göring:** Formed in October 1944 by the merging of the Fallschirm-jäger Panzer Division Herman Göring and the 2nd Fallschirm-jäger Panzer Grenadier Division Herman Göring. In January 1945 the Grossdeutschland Panzer Grenadier Division and the 2nd Fallschirm-jäger Panzer Grenadier Division were assigned to the Corps. The Luftwaffe portions of the Corps were:

General Staff  
     Staff & Staff Company  
     Military Police Platoon  
     Aviation Readiness Detachment

War Administration Troop

Corps Troops

1/,2/,3/,4/Herman Göring Fallschirm-jäger Flak Regiment  
HG Fallschirm-jäger Sturmgeschütz Battalion (7 cos)  
HG Fallschirm-jäger Panzer Corps Pioneer Battalion (5 cos)  
HG Fallschirm-jäger Panzer Corps Signals Battalion (3 cos)  
HG Administrative Troops (4 cos)  
HG Vehicle Park Troops (8 cos)  
HG Supply Troops (7 cos)  
HG Medical Battalion (5 medical cos, 5 ambulance cos,  
& 1 gas treatment platoon)  
HG Field Post Office

Fallschirm-Panzer Division 1 HG

1/,2/1st HG Fallschirm-Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/2nd HG Fallschirm-Parachute Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/1st HG Fallschirm-Panzer Regiment  
1st HG Fallschirm-Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion (4 cos)  
1st HG Fallschirm-Parachute Panzer Fusilier Battalion  
(4 cos)  
1/,2/,3/1st Herman Göring Parachute Panzer Artillery  
Regiment  
1st HG Fallschirm-Panzer Pioneer Battalion (5 cos)  
1st HG Fallschirm-Panzer Signals Battalion (2 cos)  
1st HG Fallschirm-Feldersatz Battalion  
1st HG Field Post Office

Fallschirm-Panzer Grenadier Division 2 HG

1/,2/,3/3rd HG Fallschirm-Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
(formed from 16th Fallschirm-jäger Regiment)  
1/,2/,3/4th HG Fallschirm-Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
(formed from Herman Göring Escort Regiment)  
2nd HG Fallschirm-Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion (4 cos)  
2nd HG Fallschirm-Parachute Panzer Fusilier Battalion  
(4 cos)  
1/,2/,3/2nd Herman Göring Parachute Panzer Artillery  
Regiment  
HG Fallschirm-Sturmgeschütz Battalion (5 cos)  
2nd HG Fallschirm-Panzer Pioneer Battalion (5 cos)  
2nd HG Fallschirm-Panzer Signals Battalion (2 cos)  
2nd HG Fallschirm-Panzer Feldersatz Battalion  
2nd HG Field Post Office

**Nord Armored Brigade** Indications are that the Nord Armored Brigade was organized on 1/5/44. It consisted of:

2 Medium Panzer Companies (30 Panthers each)  
1 Armored Maintenance Platoon

Its fate is not known.

**Norway Panzer Brigade:** Formed on 7/13/44, replacing the Panzer Division Norway. It had:

Norway Panzer Battalion (4 companies)  
Norway Panzer Grenadier Battalion (from Norway Sturm Battalion)

**Norway Panzer Division:** Formed on 10/1/43 from the staff of the 21st Panzer Brigade. The division had:

- Norway Panzer Battalion (3 cos)
- 1/,2/,3/Norway Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- Norway Panzerjäger Battalion
- Norway Panzer Artillery Battalion
- Norway Panzer Pioneer Battalion

The division was formed from the remainders left in Norway when the 25th Panzer Division departed. On 7/1/44 the division was disbanded and reestablished the 25th Panzer Division Kampfgruppe. At that time it had:

- Panzer Battalion became 2103rd Panzer Battalion (103rd Panzer Brigade)
- 3/Panzer Grenadier Regiment became 2/146th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- Panzerjäger Battalion became 87th Panzerjäger Battalion
- Panzer Artillery Battalion became 3/91st Panzer Artillery Battalion

**Oberschleisen Panzerjäger Brigade:** Formed with three battalions in April 1945. Nothing is known of its organization or fate.

**223rd Panzer Division:** Formed on 4/5/43 from the 233rd Reserve Panzer Grenadier Division. The 9th Bicycle Ersatz Battalion was redesignated the 9th Ersatz Reconnaissance Battalion. Almost nothing is known about its organization.

**233rd Panzer Division:** In April 1945, with collapse imminent, the 233rd Reserve Panzer Division was redesignated as the 233rd Panzer Division. In May 1945 it was in Denmark. On 5/7/45 it had:

- 42nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment (3 battalions)
- 50th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (2 battalions) (former 3rd Reserve Panzer Ersatz Regiment)
- 83rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment (2 battalions)
- 233rd Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 1033rd Panzerjäger Battalion
- 1233rd Artillery Regiment (only 1233rd Artillery Battalion)
- 1233rd Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 1233rd Panzer Signals Company
- 1233rd Administrative Units.

**Panzer Ausbildungs Verband Böhmen** Formed on 3/28/45 near Bautzen. It contained:

- Staff (from Silesian Panzer Division)
- Panzer Ausbildungs Regiment (from Milowitz Panzer Training Detachment)
- 7th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion
- 18th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion
- 1st & 2nd Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment with:
  - 13th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 40th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 108th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 413th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion

55th Panzer Reconnaissance Ausbildungs Battalion  
124th Panzer Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion  
124th Panzer Signals Ausbildungs Battalion

It later absorbed a number of training formations. In April 1945 it was serving with the Grossdeutschland Panzer Corps.

**Clauswitz Panzer Division:** Formed on 4/6/45, the division had:

Staff (from Panzer Division Holstein)  
106th Panzer Brigade  
2/Feldherrnhalle Panzer Regiment (equipped with halftracks)  
Feldherrnhalle Panzer Grenadier Recruit and Training Regt  
42nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
Grossdeutschland Panzerjäger Battalion

Later the various detachments had their names changed , i.e. from "Feldherrnhalle" to "Clauswitz." The division was destroyed on 4/21/45 by Fallersleben and later on the Elbe. What remained was taken prisoner on 4/20/45.

**Donau Panzer Ausbildungs Verband:** Formed on 3/30/1945 it contained:

Staff (from Staff/Holstein Panzer Division)  
Panzer Regiment  
    4th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion  
    17th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion  
Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment  
    12th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion  
    20th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion  
    2nd Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion  
    10th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion  
81st (half) Panzer Signals Battalion

In forming it also absorbed a number of training formations. The 12th and 20th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalions were later replaced by the 119th and 215th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalions. The 17th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion appears to have merged with the Böhmen Panzer Ausbildungs Verband. Towards the end of the war the Donau Panzer Ausbildungs Verband was disbanded and used to rebuild the 1st, 6th and 13th Panzer Divisions.

**Holstein Panzer Division:** Formed on 2/10/45 in Denmark by the mobilization of the 233rd Reserve Panzer Division. It consisted of:

44th Panzer Battalion (from 5th Reserve Panzer Battalion)  
1/,2/139th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 83rd Reserve  
    Panzer Grenadier Regiment & 8th Panzer Grenadier Battalion  
1/,2/142nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 3rd and 93rd  
    Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiments)  
44th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion (from 5th Reserve Panzer  
    Reconnaissance Battalion)  
144th Panzerjäger Battalion (from 3rd Reserve Panzerjäger  
    Battalion)  
144th Panzer Artillery Battalion (from 59th Reserve Panzer

Artillery Battalion)  
144th Panzer Pioneer Battalion (from 208th Reserve Panzer  
Pioneer Battalion)  
144th Panzer Signals Company (from 1233rd Reserve Panzer  
Battalion)  
144th Panzer Supply Command (from 1233rd Supply Troops)

The division was absorbed on 3/26/45 by the 18th Panzer Grenadier Division and on 4/6/45 the staff was used to rebuild the Clauswitz Panzer Division.

**Jüterbog Panzer Division:** Formed on 2/20/45 from the remains of Army Group units from Army Group Center. It contained:

Jüterbog Panzer Battalion  
1/,2/Jüterbog Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
Jüterbog Panzer Artillery Regiment (staff & 1 battalion) (from  
510th Artillery Battalion)  
Jüterbog Panzer Reconnaissance Company  
Jüterbog Mixed Panzerjäger Company  
Jüterbog Panzer Pioneer Company  
Jüterbog Panzer Signals Company

On 2/26/45 the division was merged into the 16th Panzer Division's Kampfgruppe and was brought to full strength as a division. It was later disbanded in March.

**Müncheberg Panzer Division:** Formed on 3/8/45. Its staff was formed from the Staff/103rd Panzer Brigade. The division had:

1/,2/1st Müncheberg Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/2nd Müncheberg Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
Kummersdorf Panzer Battalion  
Staff/,1/Müncheberg Panzer Artillery Regiment  
Müncheberg Reconnaissance Company  
Müncheberg Panzerjäger Company  
Müncheberg Pioneer Company  
Müncheberg Signals Company

It was destroyed in Berlin and its survivors passed into Russian captivity on 5/3/45.

**Silesian Panzer Division:** Formed on 2/20/45, it contained:

Silesian Panzer Battalion (former 303rd Panzer Battalion)  
1/,2/Silesian Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
Staff/,1/Silesian Panzer Artillery Regiment (from 1/106th Army  
Artillery Regiment)  
Silesian Panzer Reconnaissance Company  
Silesian Mixed Panzerjäger Company  
Silesian Panzer Pioneer Company  
Silesian Panzer Signals Company

It would appear that a flak battalion and a full panzer pioneer battalion were formed, each with three companies. Later the 2nd

Silesian Panzer Grenadier Regiment was formed. However, it had only 1 battalion with four companies. The division was disbanded and absorbed into the Holstein Panzer Division, which was itself later incorporated into the 18th Panzer Grenadier Division.

**Führer Begleit (Escort) Brigade** : Formed originally as a battalion, on 15 October 1944 the battalion had:

- HQ Company
  - (mot) Signals Platoon
  - (mot) Maintenance Platoon
- Mixed Light/Medium Armored Company
- (mot) Infantry Support Company
  - AT Platoon (2 LMGs & 4-50mm PAK 38 guns)
  - AA Platoon (8-20mm AA guns & 6 LMGs)
- 2 (mot) Infantry Companies (12 LMGs, 2 HMGS, & 4 AT rifles)
- 1 (mot) Infantry Company (9 Armored cars with 9-20mm & 9 LMGs, & 3 cars with 3 LMGs and 3 AT rifles)

This was expanded into a regiment and in November 1944 the regiment was formed into a brigade. The brigade contained:

- 1st Panzer Grenadier Battalion Führer Begleit Brigade
- 2nd Panzer Grenadier Battalion Führer Begleit Brigade
- 200th Sturmgeschütz Brigade (army troops)
- 928th Bicycle Battalion
- Reconnaissance Company
- Führer Begleit Brigade Artillery Battalion (3 batteries)
- Feldersatz Battalion

On 1/26/45 it was expanded to form the Führer Begleit (Escort) Division.

**Führer Begleit (Escort) Division**: Formed on 1/26/45 from the Führer Begleit Brigade. It had:

- 1/,2/,3/100th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- Staff/,2/102nd Panzer Regiment (from 2/Grossdeutschland Panzer Regiment)
- 120th Armored Car Company
- 673rd Panzerjäger Battalion (Sturmgeschütz)
- 1/,2/,3/120th Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 120th Divisional Support Units

In April 1945 the units were redesignated as follows:

- 1/,2/,3/1st Führer Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/1st Führer Panzer Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/1st Führer Panzer Artillery Regiment
- 120th Divisional Support Units

**Führer Grenadier Brigade**: Formed in July 1944 in East Prussia from the reinforced Führer Grenadier Battalion, it had:

- 1st Battalion (former Führer Grenadier Battalion) (1-7th Cos)



3rd Battalion (armored) (9-12th Cos)  
4th Battlaion (newly formed) (Grendier Battalion) (13-16th Cos)  
17th sIG Company  
18th Flak Company  
19th Panzer Pioneer Company  
5th Battalion (forming)  
Panzer Battalion (Panther Tanks)

In September the 1st and 5th Battlaions were detached to form the Führer Escort Regiment. The brigade was then reorganized as follows:

1st Battalion (Self Propelled) (1-4th Cos, from 9-12th Cos)  
2nd Battalion (Grenadier) (5-8th Cos, from 13-16th Cos)  
3rd Battalion (Panzer) (9-12th Cos, from Panzer Battalion)

**Führer Grenadier Division:** Formed on 1/26/45 from the Führer Grenadier Brigade. It contained:

1/,2/,3/99th Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 2/FGB &  
929th Grenadier Bn)  
Staff/,1/101st Panzer Regiment (from 3rd FGB)  
911th Army Sturmgeschütz Battalion (3 cos)  
101st Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion  
1/,2/,3/124th Panzer Artillery Regiment (From FGB Artillery  
Battalion, 423rd Army Artillery Battalion & 2/500th Panzer  
Artillery Regiment)  
124th Divisional Support Units

In April it was renamed and the units were as follows:

1/,2/,3/3rd Führer-Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 2/,3/99th)  
1/,2/,3/4th Führer-Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from Staff/Sommer  
Bicycle Regiment, 124th Feldersatz Battalion & 3/Ersatz  
und Ausbildungs Regiment Grossdeutschland)  
1/,2/Führer-Panzer Regiment (from 1/101st & 1/99th)  
1/,2/,3/,2nd Führer-Panzer Artillery Regiment (from 124th)  
Führer-Panzer Flak Battalion (from the Luftwaffe)  
124th Divisional Support Unit

The division was taken into American captivity in Zwettl, on the Lower Donau, then handed over to the Russians.

**West Schnell Brigade:** Formed in France during the summer of 1943 as a reinforced brigade, it had:

1/,2/West Brigade Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
West Brigade Sturmgeschütz Battalion (3 batteries)  
1st & 2nd West Brigade Motorcycle Companies  
West Brigade Pioneer Company  
West Brigade Signals Company  
West Brigade Division Service Units  
West Brigade Feldersatz Company

For a short time the brigade was numbered the 931st Schnell Brigade, the Panzer Grenadiers were numbered 433rd, and the divisional

support units were numbered the 931st. On 3/12/43 the sturmgeschütz battalion was renumbered the 931st.

On 7/15/43 the brigade was sent to Rennes France to reform the 21st Panzer Division. The 433rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment became the 125th Panzer Grenadier Regiment, both motorcycle companies became the 21st Reconnaissance Battalion, the 931st Panzer Artillery Regiment became the 155th Panzer Artillery Regiment.

**West Panzerjagd Brigade:** It was planned for formation in April 1945 with:

- 1/,2/Blücher Panzerjagd Regiment
- 1/,2/Nürnberg Panzerjagd Regiment
- 1/,2/Stuttgart Panzerjagd Regiment

Each battalion was to have 3 companies. Formation is questionable.

**Tatra Panzer Division:** Formed in August 1944 in Czechoslovakia from troops in the recruit forces. The division had:

- 1/,2/82nd Panzer Grenadier Replacement and Training Regiment
- 1/,2/85th Panzer Grenadier Replacement and Training Regiment
- Panzer Company (from 4th Panzer Replacement and Training Battalion)
- Panzerjäger Company (from 8th Panzerjäger Replacement and Training Battalion)
- Tatra Artillery Battalion (3 self propelled batteries)
- 2 Pioneer Companies
- 1st & 2nd Cos/1st Battalion, 482nd Grenadier Training Battalion
- Field Replacement Battalion (after December 1944)

In December the division became the Tatra Panzer Field Training Division and was assigned to the army. In March 1945 it became the 232nd Panzer Division.

**Grossdeutschland Panzer Training Verband:** Its date of formation is unknown. The division had:

- Grossdeutschland Panzer Training Battalion (not formed)
- 1/,2/,3/Grossdeutschland Panzer Grenadier Training Regiment
- Grossdeutschland OB School
- Grossdeutschland Panzer Artillery Training Battalion
- Grossdeutschland Pioneer Training Battalion (2 cos)
- Grossdeutschland Signals Training Battalion (1 co)
- 20th Panzer Training Battalion

With the incorporation of the formation into the Clauswitz Panzer Division, the Wackernagel (Panzer Grenadier Regiment) and the Poerschmann (OB School) Regiments were sent to the Ems and Weser. The latter was incorporated into the 15th Panzer Division and passed into English captivity.

**Panzer Division Nr. 155** The Division (mot) Nr. 155 was reorganized into the Panzer Division Nr. 155 on 4/5/43, on 8/1/43 it was reorganized into the 155th Reserve Panzer Division. In December 1943 it had:

7th Reserve Panzer Battalion  
5th Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiment (86th & 215th Battalions)  
25th Reserve (mot) Grenadier Regiment (35th & 119th Battalions)  
260th Reserve (mot) Artillery Battalion  
5th Reserve Panzer Jäger Battalion  
1055th Reserve Panzer Signals Company

The order of 3/19/44 directed it be used to reform the 9th Panzer Division. It was disbanded on 4/30/44. The 7th Reserve Panzer battalion was used to form the Norwegian Panzer brigade.

**178th Panzer Division:** Formed on 4/5/43 from the 178th (mot) Division. It contained the:

15th Panzer Ersatz and Ausbildungs Battalion  
85th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (13th, 110th Bns)  
128th (mot) Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (30th & 51st Bns)  
55th Panzer Reconnaissance Ersatz and Ausbildungs Battalion  
8th Panzerjäger Ersatz and Ausbildungs Battalion

In December 1944 the division was disbanded. The 85th Panzer Grenadier. Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment, 13th Panzer Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalions, and the 30/51st Combined Battalion were sent to the Tatra Panzer (Feldausbildungs) Division. The 128th Panzer Grenadier Ersatz. and Ausbildungs Regiment remained in Silesia.

**179th Panzer Division:** Formed in Weimar on 4/5/43 from the 179th (mot) Division. On 7/30/43 it became the 179th Reserve Panzer Division.

**179th Reserve Panzer Division:** Formed in France on 7/30/43 with:

1st Reserve Panzer Battalion  
81st Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiment (1st, 6th & 59th Battalions)  
29th Reserve Grenadier Regiment (mot) (15th & 71st Battalions)  
29th Reserve Artillery Battalion  
1st Reserve Armored Reconnaissance Battalion  
9th Reserve Panzerjäger Battalion

The 179th Reserve Panzer Division and the 16th Panzer Grenadier Division were used to form the 116th Panzer Division. The 179th was disbanded on 5/1/44. The remainder of the division was sent back to Germany and reabsorbed into the system.

**232nd Reserve Panzer Division:** Formed in February 1945 in Slovakia, from the Tatra Panzer Feldausbildungs Division. It contained:

101st Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 82nd Panzer Grenadier Replacement and Training Regiment)  
102nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment (from 85th Panzer Grenadier Replacement and Training Regiment)

**233rd Reserve Panzer Division:** The 233rd Panzer Division was redesignated to this on 8/10/43. It contained, in December 1943, the following:

- 5th Reserve Panzer Battalion
- 83rd Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiment (3rd, 8th & 9th Battalions)
- 3rd (mot) Reserve Grenadier Regiment (8th, 39th Grenadiers & 50th Panzer Grenadier Battalion)
- 59th Reserve Artillery Battalion
- 3rd Reserve Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 3rd Reserve Panzerjäger Battalion
- 208th Reserve Panzer Pioneer Battalion

In May 1944 the division detached units to the reforming of the 6th, 19th and 25th Panzer Divisions. It was then reformed from the 155th, 179th and 255th Reserve Panzer Divisions. On 5/12/44 the 1233rd Panzer Signals Company was formed. In December the division had:

- Staff
- 5th Reserve Panzer Battalion (as an armored Kampfgruppe with 3rd Co, 3rd Panzerjäger, 1/59th Art Regt & a pioneer and heavy co.)
- 83rd Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiment (8th, 9th, and 3rd Battalions)
- 3rd Reserve Grenadier (mot) Regt (8th, 50th & 29th Battalions)
- 3rd Reserve Panzerjäger Battalion
- 3rd Reserve Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 59th Reserve Artillery Battalion
- 208th Reserve Panzer Pioneer Battalion
- 1233rd Reserve Panzer Signals Company

The order of 2/5/45 reorganized the 233rd Reserve Panzer Division as the Holstein Panzer Division. Its units were redesignated as follows:

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| 5th Panzer Reserve Battalion | became 44th Panzer Battalion                |
| 83rd Res Pz Gren Regiment    | became 139th Panzer Grenadier Regiment      |
| 3rd Res Gren Regiment        | became 142nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment      |
| Reconnaissance Battalion     | became 44th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion |
| Support Units                | were numbered 144th                         |

On 2/15/45 the division was reorganized in Denmark and again as the 233rd Reserve Panzer Division. Its units were as follows:

- 3rd Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 83rd Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 8th Reserve Panzer Grenadier Battalion
- 9th Reserve Panzer Grenadier Battalion
- 50th Reserve Panzer Grenadier Battalion
- 93rd Reserve Panzer Grenadier Battalion

**273rd Reserve Panzer Division:** The division was formed on 11/1/43 with:

- 25/35th Panzer Regiment (25th & 35th Reserve Panzer Battalions)
- 92nd Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiment (12th & 40th Battalions)
- 73rd (mot) Reserve Grenadier Regiment (20th & 41st Battalions)
- 167th Reserve Artillery Battalion
- 7th Reserve Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
- 7th Reserve Panzerjäger Battalion
- 10th Reserve Panzerjäger Battalion
- 19th Reserve Panzer Pioneer Battalion

The staff of the combined 25/35th Panzer Regiment and the 92nd Reserve Panzer Grenadier Regiments were formed in France in 1944. The two reserve panzer battalions were then assigned to it.

The order of 3/15/44 directed that the division be used to reform the 10th Panzer Grenadier Regiment and on 5/5/44 it was ordered to rebuild the 11th Panzer Division. As a result, the division was completely dismembered.

**Krampnitz Panzer Training Verband (Detachment):** Formed on 3/28/45 in Krampnitz with personnel from a variety of sites. The detachment had:

- Krampnitz Mixed Panzer Battalion (from 2108th Panzer Battalion, 218th Sturmpanzer Battalion and Potsdam Panzer Battalion)
- 1/,2/1st Krampnitz Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/2nd Krampnitz Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- Krampnitz Panzerjäger Battalion (from Deiss Panzerjäger Battalion)
- Krampnitz Armored Car Company
- Krampnitz Pioneer Company
- Krampnitz Signals Company
- Krampnitz Supply Troops

On 4/19/45 the detachment was sent to rebuild the 7th Panzer Division near Hela.

**Ostsee Panzer Ausbildungs Verband:** Formed on 3/28/45 with:

- Staff/104th Panzer Brigade
- Staff/Coburg Regiment
- 5th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion
- 13th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion
- Staff/1st Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment
- Staff/2nd Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment
- 5th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
- 73rd Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
- 76th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
- 90th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
- 3rd Panzer Reconnaissance Ausbildungs Battalion
- 6th Panzer Reconnaissance Ausbildungs Battalion
- 208th Panzer Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion
- 82nd (half) Panzer Signals Ausbildungs Battalion

The division absorbed the Sharpshooter Instrucion Course, Wehrkreis

X, the Army Panzer Grenadier NCO School from Putlos, and the 2nd Fahnenjunker School for armored troops in Munsterlager.

**Panzer Verband Stegemann:** Formed in February 1945 in Wehrkreise VIII. I contained:

- 30th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs (mot) Battalion
- 55th Panzer Reconnaissance Ausbildungs Battalion
- 15th Panzer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion
- 48th Army Flak Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion
- 116/54th Light Field Howitzer Battery
- 8th Panzerjäger Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

This formation was responsible for the training of troops in the VIII Wehrkreise. In February 1945 was serving near Görlitz and Ohlau, at which time it vanishes from German records.

**Thüringian Panzer Ausbildungs Verband:** Formed on 3/28/45, the division had:

- Staff/Panzer Troop School Bergen
- Panzer Ausbildungs Regiment
  - Bergen Panzer Lehr Battalion
  - 1st Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 300th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion
- 1st & 2nd Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiments
  - 1st Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 15th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 59th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 71st Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
- Bergen Panzer Reconnaissance Lehr Company
- Putlos Panzer Reconnaissance Schiess-Lehr Company
- 29th Panzer Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion
- 81st Panzer Signals Ausbildungs Battalion

The division also absorbed the Sharpshooter Lehrgang IX Wildflecken, the Panzer Grenadier Field NCO School, Wildflecken, the Ravensberg Army NCO school, and the 3rd Landshut Panzer Troop Fahnenjunker School. The 508th Army Flak Brigade was attached to the division.

**Westfalen Panzer Ausbildungs Verband:** Formed on 3/28/45 with Ausbildungs (training) units, it had:

- Panzer Ausbildungs Regiment
  - 11th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 500th Panzer Ausbildungs Battalion
- 1st & 2nd Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiments
  - 4th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 60th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 64th Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
  - 361st Panzer Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion
- 6th Panzer Reconnaissance Ausbildungs Battalion
- 16th Panzer Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion
- 26th Panzer Signals Ausbildungs Battalion

The division incorporated the Officer School for Panzer Recon-

naissance in Mainz, the Eisenach Panzer Schützen Army NCO School and the Sharpshooter Instruction Course from Wehrkries VI. Part of this formation joined the 11th Panzer Division.

**Franken Panzer Training Detachment:** Formed on 3/28/45, the detachment had:

- Staff
- Staff/Panzer Training (Ausbildungs) Regiment (from Grafwöhr Panzer School)
- 35th Panzer Training Battalion
- 1st & 2nd Panzer Grenadier Training Regiments
  - 104th Panzer Grenadier Training Battalion
  - 115th Panzer Grenadier Training Battalion
  - 119th Panzer Grenadier Training Battalion
  - 215th Panzer Grenadier Training Battalion
- 9th Panzer Reconnaissance Training Battalion (only 1/2 battalion)
- 19th Panzer Pioneer Training Battalion
- 26th Panzer Signals Training Battalion (only 1/2 battalion)

The division later absorbed the following units:

- Scharfschützen (Sharpshooter) Instruction Course
- Army NCO School for Panzer Grenadiers at Eisenach
- Erlangen OB School for Panzer Schützen
- Weimar OB School for Panzer Grenadiers

Its fate is unknown.

**Herman Göring Parachute Panzer Replacement and Training Brigade:**

Formed on 1/25/45 from the Herman Göring Parachute Panzer Replacement and Training Regiment. It contained the:

- 1/,2/,3/,1st Herman Göring Parachute Replacement and Training Regiment)
- 1/,2/2nd Herman Göring Parachute Replacement and Training Regiment)
- 1st Pioneer Battalion
- 2nd & 3rd Artillery Battalions

The brigade was destroyed in Graudenz.

**2nd Göring Parachute Panzer Replacement and Training Brigade:** Formed on 3/14/45 in Velten and Joachimsthal with the 3rd and 4th Herman Göring Parachute Panzer Replacement and Training Regiments and the remains of the destroyed Fallschirm-jäger Panzer Replacement and Training Support Units, from Graudenz.

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